

A close-up photograph of a graduate wearing a black mortarboard cap and a white gown. The graduate is looking down at a diploma they are holding. The background is a soft, out-of-focus light color.

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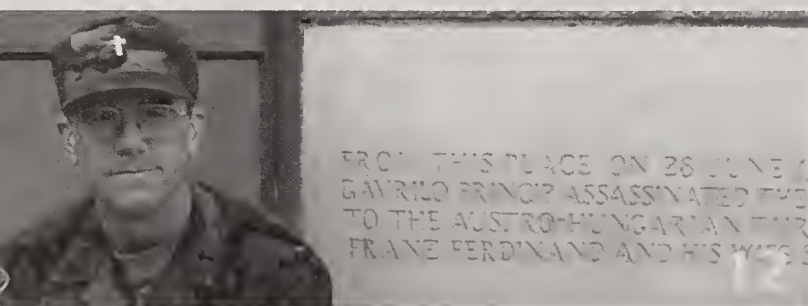
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### Saint Joseph's College is...

"....a primarily undergraduate Catholic college, founded and sponsored by the Missionaries of the Precious Blood, [which] pledges itself to a tradition of excellence and to a liberal education that is a united endeavor of intelligence and faith."

— excerpted from the College  
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From the Alumni Association Board President

## A Season for CHANGE

IN THE SAME WAY that spring moves into summer, so have members of the Saint Joseph's College community moved into a new season of their own. One of the biggest year-end campus events was the graduation of the Class of 2005, whose members must now take SJC's traditions, curriculum, and faith and use them to pave a new path. Commencements represent a new beginning for graduates and new hopes for their families and friends. The Alumni Association is proud and honored to welcome them as its newest members.



Alumni are also experiencing life changes as they travel in directions of their own – literally. In this issue, you'll read about **Rev. William Stang, C.P.P.S. '72**, back from an on-again, off-again stint in Sarajevo, and **Alan Brinker '98**, currently wrapping up a three-year stay in Taiwan. These individuals, as well as countless other alumni, have used their educations as a means to step outside of their comfort zones, to question the world around them, and to experience a new viewpoint in the world away from the comforts of home. During a time where the struggle between war and peace is spelled out in every newspaper and magazine, it's these actions that are most important to preserving the world God made for us.

Meanwhile, the College is encountering some changes of its own, the most significant being the contemplation of a capital campaign for the first time in 15 years. Learn from President Mills why Saint Joseph's needs to upgrade campus facilities and increase endowment, and why the administration has opted to renovate current structures rather than build new ones. With three years of balanced budgets to its credit, there is an increased excitement about the future of Saint Joseph's College and the opportunities that these renovations can mean for our students.

Last, but certainly not least, SJC's largest communication tool has also changed direction, and the proof is in your hands: a brighter, bolder *Contact*, revamped by our very own **Diane (Hebert) Arias '94**. We hope it has piqued your interest and provided you with yet one more example of how the College strives to improve its contact with you.

Stephen M. Ligda '62  
Alumni Association Board President

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## in Chicago's St. Patrick's Day parade

Scarves and hot chocolate were vital accessories when Pumas and their families marched in the Windy City's annual St. Patrick's Day parade on March 12th. In order to commemorate SJC's 20th year of participation, a custom-designed float decked in purple and cardinal and the Puma mascot were on hand to add to the festivities. Afterwards, everyone came together at Giordano's of Prudential at the Prudential Building for complimentary salad, appetizers, and pizza. "Everyone had a great time," said Kendra Illingworth, Alumni and Parent Relations Director. "This is one of our best events for families."

LET'S HUDDLE: (top left pic) Alumni try to stay warm before the parade kick-off. (Back, left to right) **Jerry McKim '72**, **Katie Davet '03**, **Julie Suhr '89**, **Georgia McKim '89**, and **Todd Huff '03**. (Front) **Joe Small '03** and **Maura Giles '02**.

RAISE THE BANNER HIGH: (top right pic) Pumas waved and cheered along with the audience as the parade traveled down Columbus Drive and Balbo Street to Monroe Street.

## Two English alumni visit Rensselaer to promote latest works

In honor of National Poetry Month, two English Department veterans, **Norbert Krapf '65** and **Philip F. Deaver '68**, returned to Rensselaer to promote their recently published poetry collections. Krapf held a poetry reading at the Carnegie Center in April to perform selections from *Looking for God's Country*, which features 85 poems set in Indiana and Germany. Deaver's reading on April 14th took place at the Rensselaer branch of the Jasper County Public Library and highlighted *How Men Pray*, published as part of the Florida Poetry Series by Anhinga Press.

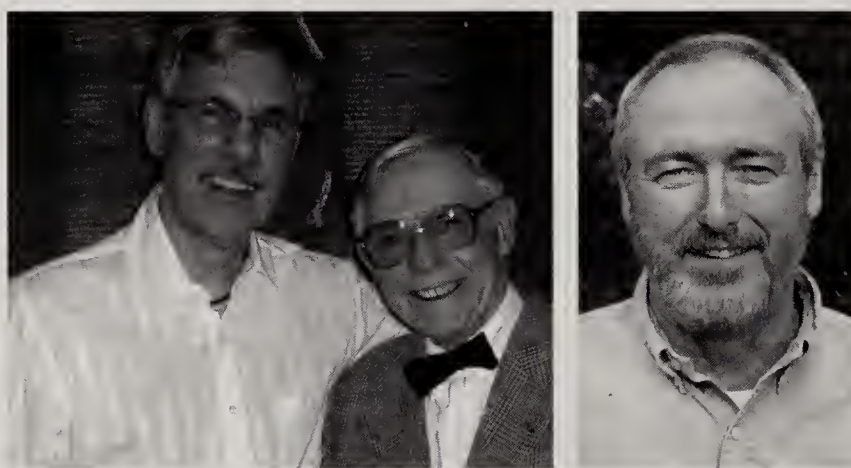
Krapf is the writer and editor of more than 18 books and has received numerous awards for his work, including a Pulitzer Prize nomination for his collection *The Country I Come From*. Deaver is a winner of the University of Georgia

Press Flannery O'Connor Award for Short Fiction for his book *Silent Retreats*. His poetry has appeared in *The Reaper*, *Florida Review*, and *Poetry Miscellany*. His short stories have

been distinguished with publication in *Best American Short Stories* and *Pushcart Prize*.

"It's always a treat to have former students return to talk about their work. It was especially delightful to have two former student poets come within a week of each other to read from their new books of poetry," said John Groppe, who taught both Krapf and Deaver.

Deaver's and Krapf's books are currently on sale for \$10 a piece through SJC's Office of Publications and Media Relations; to order, call 800-227-1898. For more information about each author, log on to their Web sites: [www.krapfpoetry.com](http://www.krapfpoetry.com) and <http://philipfdeaver.com>.



LEFT: **Norbert Krapf '65** and Professor Emeritus of English John Groppe. RIGHT: **Philip F. Deaver '68**.





**Alumni Association honors 2005 Senior of the Year: (left) Brian Bugajski '05** says a few words upon acceptance of the 2005 Senior of the Year Award.



**Sports Hall of Fame inductees: Elizabeth Rowden '95, Jim Collins '88, Bill Reagan '74, and Kevin Denson '96** stand proudly with their plaques after being inducted into SJC's Sports Hall of Fame.

The weekend of April 15th was a busy one for SJC's Alumni Association, as the group sponsored the President's Senior Dinner on Friday and the Sports Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony the following Saturday.

During the dinner, **Mary Balmes '05, Brian Bugajski '05, Brandon Deardorff '05, Karen Miller '05, and Jen Willig '05** were recognized as the five award candidates, and Bugajski was honored as Senior of the Year. He was presented with a personal plaque, and his name was added to the perpetual Senior of the Year plaque listing located in the Halleck Student Center.

"I am honored to be presented with this prestigious award," he said. "It's very humbling to have been selected as Senior of the Year by my peers and the highly regarded members of the Alumni Association."

Veteran student athletes **Jim Collins '88, Kevin Denson '96, Bill Reagan '74, and Elizabeth Rowden '95** each had their own moment in the spotlight as they were inducted into the College's Sports Hall of Fame on Saturday night. The celebration began with dinner for the inductees, their families, and friends and ended with the presentation of awards.

**Lou Offer '69** served as Master of Ceremonies, and several SJC alumni and administrators were present to share kind words and fond stories about those being honored.

**John Barrientos '51**, who coached Rowden when she was a member of the women's tennis team, spoke to her attributes as a student athlete. "She was always a team player. All she had to do was lead, and her teammates followed. I don't know of a more worthy person for this award."

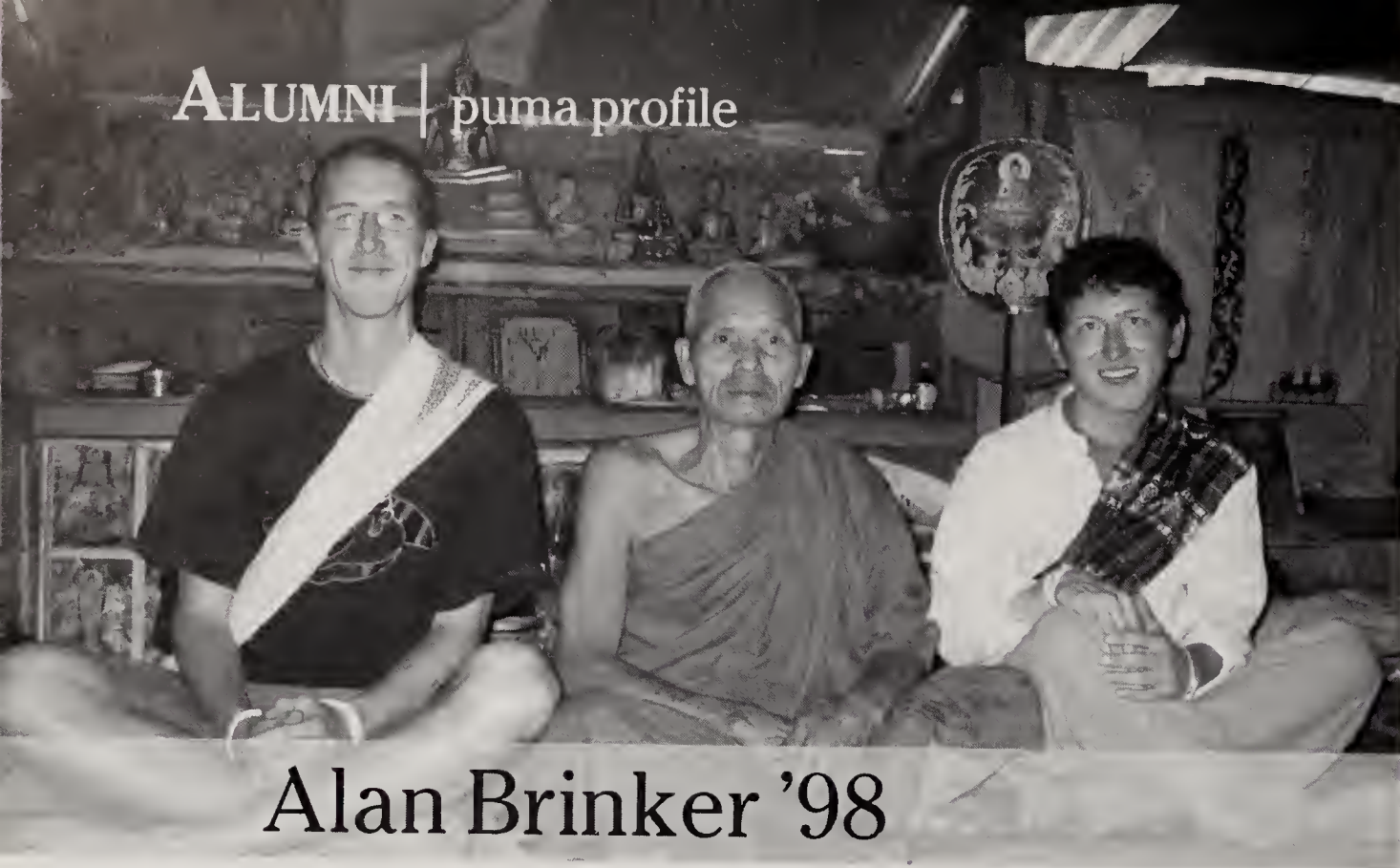
Collins, a golfer while at SJC, was described as a "tornado of enthusiasm" by his teammate and college roommate of four years, **Mike Kitch '88**. "He's a wonderful friend who presents a focus and integrity that I admire a lot," he said.

When the inductees themselves took to the podium, a theme of thanks connected the speeches of each. Denson credited his parents with instilling in him the characteristics that allowed him to perform on the basketball court during his years at SJC. "Thank you for always being there for me," he said.

Reagan, a former football player and coach, also gave special mention to his family, as well as his friends, former colleagues, and coaches. "Tonight is not about statistics and games scores but about those who shaped the person you turned out to be," he said. "Saint Joseph's College is a magical place. You will never have anyone who is as proud to have been a football coach for SJC as I am today."

*with pride we honor, induct our alumni*





## Alan Brinker '98

Brinker (left) and his brother, David (right), with a monk in Phonsavon, a village outside of Laos.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**June 16-28**

Trip to China

**July 9**

Athletic Department  
Golf Outing

**August 1**

Second Annual Fast Eddy  
Invitational in Chicago

**August 18-20**

Freshman Orientation

**August 22**

Fall Classes Begin

**September 23-25**

Homecoming Weekend

**October 1-9**

Trip to Tuscany and  
Italian Riviera

When roaming about the world, many travelers document their experiences into some form of journal, giving them something to share with family and friends once they make it back home. However, for **Alan Brinker '98**, a pre-school English teacher in Taipei, Taiwan, a hardbound book wasn't good enough; he eventually found a more direct way to stay connected to his loved ones in the United States: through a Web log. Commonly referred to as "blogs," Web logs are personal Web sites that include journal entries, photos, commentaries, and recommendations compiled by a user or group of users.

The blog, <http://outintheworld.blogspot.com>, features deep thoughts, miscellaneous ramblings, and pictures that Brinker's taken during his time in Taiwan. Brinker tells you that 60 degrees in Taipei feels as cold as December in the Midwest; that the city is crowded and always under construction; that the people are kind and welcomed him with open arms. He also talks about the downsides. "Travel in other places brings many more troubles: dealing with language barriers, corrupt officials, wondering where you will sleep at night or how you will get from one place to another, etc.," Brinker said. "It can [also] be hard to be away from the people you care about for so long."

But that's what the blog is for. With

an interest in storytelling that dates back to the second grade and a collection of unpublished novels, short stories, and essays, Brinker uses his craft not only to update his support system about his comings and goings but to open a window into his side of the universe.

An excerpt from "Bowling for Columbine and Fear" (April 2, 2005):

It's been interesting, seeing a bit of the world in the last few years. When I am home (in the U.S.) and talk to people about going to different places, one of the most common responses, or questions, I suppose, is this: "Aren't you afraid?" It doesn't matter if I am planning to go to Bosnia or London or Taiwan or Cambodia. The assumption in going abroad, especially alone, is that I will be in danger. ...The first time I went to Europe was less than a month after the Columbine shootings and a load of people asked me about them. Everyone asked, I remember, how could something like that possibly happen? I would answer, I don't know, but it's happened before and it will happen again. With the coming of September 11 and the Bali bombings, the playing field changed, of course, and I think around the world people began to feel a new degree of fear, or at least of caution and awareness that things have changed.

Brinker will depart from Taipei this summer to visit with his family in Cincinnati before leaving for an eight-month journey through China and southeast Asia. Following this trip, he will head to Argentina. He and his girlfriend, Natalia, a Taiwanese from Argentina whom he met in Taiwan, have also discussed taking trips to India and Central Asia. Brinker's not sure where he'll end up, but for the next few years, it won't be the U.S.

"There is no feeling quite like being out with a group of people who represent 10 or more countries, with different languages flying around you, where everyone is just having fun."

Join Brinker on his journey by logging on to <http://outintheworld.blogspot.com>.



# BRYCE JONES... *where is he now?*



Bryce Jones taught Economics at Saint Joseph's College before the Core Program ever existed; however, this hasn't kept him from forming his own core relationship with SJC.

When Jones came to SJC in 1955, he was fresh from his doctoral program and eager to begin teaching. And while there

were only a handful of students enrolled in the College's Economics Department during his nine years, according to him, their ambition spoke volumes about the caliber of the program. "Many of them went on to get master's degrees and several earned Ph.D.'s. That's exceptional for a small college. I was so proud of them," he said.

In 1964, Jones and his family relocated to Kansas City, Missouri, where his next teaching assignment was for Rockhurst University. He spent the next 28 years teaching courses in undergraduate Economics (eventually becoming Chair of the department) and graduate Business Administration.

It was in the 1980's, after United States bishops

released their pastoral letter "Economic Justice for All," that Jones found a different way to work for his faith. "The letter outlined the state of American economics – unemployment problems, the size of the poor population and the lack of medical assistance for them – and proposed solutions. Some members of my church and I traveled to different parishes to outline what the bishops had to say and hold question-and-answer sessions for those who came to hear us," he explained.

Jones retired in 1992 to take care of his wife, who was suffering from Parkinson's Disease. She passed away in 2001 after 53 years of marriage. Since then, he's divided his time as Chaplain for the local county jail and a Catholic nursing home. "I started my work at the jail two years before I retired, and it's brought me closer to God, helped me to see my own dependence on Him," he said. "My wife used to accompany me to the nursing home, so that's why I resumed it after she passed on."

These days, he still keeps in close contact with a number of Pumas and would love to hear from his former students. He can be reached at [brycejones@sbcglobal.net](mailto:brycejones@sbcglobal.net).

In the *Where Are They Now?* column featured in *Contact's* spring issue, Phil Posey's e-mail address was incorrectly listed. It is [psposey2@verizon.net](mailto:psposey2@verizon.net). The *Contact* staff regrets the error.

## *Before I was a Puma & TODAY:*



*I am the youngest of 12 children and grew up in the country, with five acres of woods and yard to run and play in. This picture shows from left to right my older sister Dawn, my niece Rachel, and me in what everyone called "the fort." We were constantly outside and sometimes only had our imagination to entertain us. So this fort was a spaceship, hiding place, and castle—complete with moat and fire-breathing dragon. We all loved that fort.*



***Diane (Hebert) Arias '94***

*What you're doing now:* I'm married to **Joseph Arias '92**, and we have three girls under the age of three: a 22-month old and one-year-old twins. With such an incredible husband and fabulous support group of family and loved ones, I've been able to keep up quite a juggling act. On top of caring for the toddlers, I teach graphic design for the Art Department at SJC, as well as perform design and copywriting work on a contract basis. One of my most recent projects you have in your hand, the new and improved *Contact*.

*High school, city, state:*  
Merrillville High School  
Merrillville, Indiana

*Degree:* Communication  
and Theatre Arts



SJC MOCK TRIAL TEAM

## Team places ninth in regional competition



This year's Mock Trial Team proved that you don't have to be a Political Science or Pre-Law major to successfully participate in a courtroom competition. With only two future lawyers in their ranks, the team placed ninth out of 18 teams at the Rocky Mountain Regional Competition in Ogden, Utah, on February 11th and 12th.

Two of their witnesses placed in the Top Ten Outstanding Witnesses category: junior English major Katherine Grgic placed second, and sophomore Biology major Tiffany Vondra tied for eighth. Perhaps their most impressive

achievement was earning third place in the esteemed Spirit of AMTA Competition, an award recognizing teams with the best sense of civility and fair play.

"I'm proud of how we competed and finished," said Jacob Lofgren '05, the team's Captain. "Our competitive drive never overshadowed our desire to be kind and pleasant people outside of the courtroom."

ROCKY MOUNTAIN HIGH: Mock Trial Team members on Power Mountain in Salt Lake City, Utah (left to right): Amy Lukus '06, **Abbey Connor '05**, Erin Delaney '07, Kara Marxer '06, Katherine Grgic '06, Jeff Lawrence '07, **Jacob Lofgren '05**, and Tiffany Vondra '07.

## SJC hosts 2005 CareerFest, anticipates college graduate hiring increase

In a new study published by the National Association of Colleges and Employers, the number of new college graduates hired in the 2004-2005 academic year can be expected to increase by 13.1 percent over last year. Of the employers surveyed, 37.4 percent were located in the Midwest. In an effort to support employer interest in college graduates, the Career Development Center of Saint Joseph's College hosted its annual *CareerFest* on March 21.

"SJC is definitely feeling the impact of employers' increased interest in upcoming college graduates. More employers are requesting to hold on-campus interviews for internship and full-time employment opportunities, and online job posting has increased 20 percent since last year," said Adam Malson, Director of the Career Development Center. "Holding this career fair was the best way for a large number of employers and students to communicate to each other. With the

expected hiring surplus, it couldn't have happened at a more suitable time."

Forty-three organizations were on site to recruit SJC students. One of the highlights of this year's fair was

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—Adam Malson,  
*Director of the Career Development Center*

the strong involvement of alumni, who represented such companies as American Association of Law Libraries, American Institute of Toxicology (AIT) Laboratories, Indiana Department of Transportation, and J.P. Morgan Chase. Several students received job leads and offers for employment.

**Kristin Gandurski '05**, who received a full-time chemist position with AIT, can testify to the significant networking relationship between alumni

employers and current students. "There were five or six employers that sparked my interest at CareerFest, but I seemed to have an immediate connection with [AIT founder and CEO] **Michael Evans '67**. He understood the value of my experience and education at Saint Joseph's," she said. "SJC helped me to adjust to living on my own and making my own decisions, and when it came time to choose the next step of my life, SJC was there."

For Evans, the decision to hire SJC graduates has been an easy one. "As an employer, I have found that many SJC students and graduates are ideal employees. They have developed not only their technical skills but a passion for learning as well," he said. "SJC students are some of the most well-balanced candidates I interact with."

Next year's *CareerFest* is set for March 27, 2006. To represent your company or organization, contact Malson at 219-866-6116 or [amalson@saintjoe.edu](mailto:amalson@saintjoe.edu).



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This year, Mother's Day (Sunday, May 8) bore a special meaning for the seniors of SJC, as they received their baccalaureate degrees during SJC's 110th Commencement ceremony. They also took in words of wisdom from keynote speaker Sr. Elizabeth Bowyer, SNDdeN, Provincial of the Ohio Province of the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur. Bowyer was on hand to accept an honorary degree on behalf of the late Sr. Dorothy Stang, SNDdeN, who spent 38 years ministering to rural workers and peasants in the Amazon rain forest before her murder this past February.

Bowyer described Stang as a “life-giver” and a woman “who gave her life

for what she believed in.” She also asked the members of SJC's newest graduating class to give part of themselves to make the future better.

“To be a life-giving person, you don't have to be a missionary in Brazil. Every day of your life calls for you to receive a bit of goodness and to give a bit of yourself—sometimes more,” she said. “As you leave Saint Joseph's College, are you ready to face the challenge of ... building a better world? What will the rest of your life be all about? Will you choose life?”

Other individuals also addressed the graduates, including SJC President Ernest Mills III, Provost Dr. David

Chattin, Senior Class President **Brian Bugajski '05**, and Valedictorian **Lisa Grilliot '05**. “We've learned that life has highs and lows, and that not every moment will always be perfect. There are decisions that are not always easy to make, and beliefs and values must be weighed and upheld,” Grilliot said. “[But] each of us will receive a diploma to recognize the hard work we've done. Each of us has been enabled for success.”

Prior to Commencement, a Baccalaureate Mass was held for seniors and their families the previous Saturday. At this time, **Michael Barry '05** was presented with the Saint Joseph the Educator Award, awarded to a student viewed

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DON'T LET GO! (Top) **Veronica Shook '05** (right) says good-bye to fellow classmate **Sarah Chalik '05** in a hug.

PROUD PUMAS: (Far left) **David Morris '05** and **Rev. Tim McFarland, C.P.P.S. '78**.

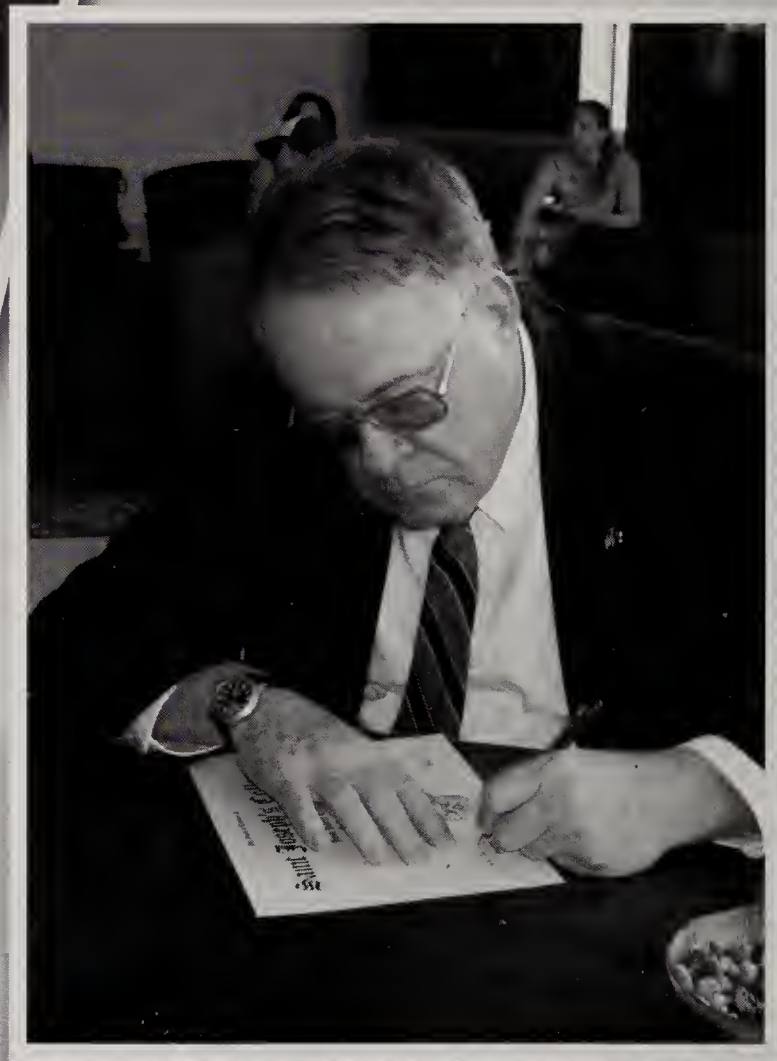
THE WALK: (Left) The Class of 2005 walk from Halleck to the Fieldhouse together for the first and last time.





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as a model of Christian life by living in service to others. Three professors were also honored; the Religio Award, given to a faculty member who embodies Catholic and Christian humanistic values, was presented to Bro. Rob Reuter, C.P.P.S. The Moralitas Award, which recognizes high moral character in all personal and professional aspects of life, was granted to Associate Professor of Education **Dr. Tom Ryan '70** for the second consecutive year, and the Scientia Award, awarded to a professor with a reputation for passing on knowledge in an exemplary fashion, was given to Associate Professor of Political Science Dr. Peter Watkins.



ON THE DOTTED LINE: (Above) President Mills signs an '05 graduate's diploma during his degree-signing party.

THUMBS UP: (Top left) **Michael Barry '05**, winner of the Saint Joseph the Educator Award, shows his excitement at Commencement.

FRIENDS FOREVER: (Left) **Jacob Lofgren '05** and **Renee Pugh '05** gather at President Mills's degree-signing party.



# Moving On Up

Many Pumas secured full-time employment and graduate school plans before ever stepping foot across the stage.

## PAVING A CAREER PATH

**Anna Aldridge** - *Off Track Betting in Crestwood, Illinois – Guest Services Supervisor*

**Tony Braner** - *Discover Financial Services in Riverwoods, Illinois – UNIX Administrator*

**Katherine Caruso** - *KPMG, LLP in Chicago, Illinois – Auditor*

**Erin Diener** - *Peninsula Players in Fish Creek, Wisconsin – Intern*

**Travis French** - *Foresters Financial in Indianapolis, Indiana – Financial Representative*

**Kristin Gandurski** - *American Institute of Toxicology (AIT) Laboratories in Indianapolis, Indiana – Chemist*

**Jim Gratner** - *Percussive Arts Society in Lawton, Oklahoma*

**Tara Kensinger** - *Hertz in Indianapolis, Indiana – Manager Trainee*

**Amber Mae Lerch** - *Kohl's Department Store in Merrillville, Indiana – Manager*

**Rebecca Scherer** - *Saint Joseph's College – Publications and Media Relations Director*

**Jodi Stelt** - *Enterprise Rent-A-Car in Indianapolis, Indiana – Manager in Training*

**Taylor Treesh** - *Perma-Green Inc. in Zionsville, Indiana – member of Management and Sales team*

**Casey Wagner** - *St. Margaret Mary Catholic Elementary School in Algonquin, Illinois – fourth grade teacher*

## STICKING WITH SCHOOL

\*All programs are at the master's level unless otherwise noted.

**Michael Barry** - *The John Marshall Law School in Chicago, Illinois; Juris Doctorate; Dean's Scholarship*

**Brian Bugajski** - *Ball State University in Muncie, Indiana; Historic Preservation; full-tuition graduate assistantship*

**Abbey Conner** - *University of Indianapolis; Doctorate in Clinical Psychology*

**Debra Frazier** - *Indiana University-Purdue University in Indianapolis (IUPUI); Social Work*

**Sonia Honkisz** - *University of Illinois in Urbana-Champaign Veterinary School*

**Shannon Jonkman** - *Pacific Graduate School of Psychology in Palo Alto, California; Clinical Psychology*

**Caleb Kopczyk** - *University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee; Political Science; Chancellor's Graduate Student Award (full-tuition scholarship)*

**Jacob Lofgren** - *Drake University Law School in Des Moines, Iowa; Juris Doctorate & Master of Public Administration (JD/MPA); Drake Law Scholarship*

**Meghan Mallory** - *University of Chicago; Social Work*

**Pamela Renee Pugh** - *Purdue University in Lafayette, Indiana; Doctorate in American Politics and Political Theory; Teaching Assistantship*

**Erin Sheehan** - *University of Tennessee – Chattanooga; Health and Human Performance*

**Rob Siegel** - *Thomas Cooley School of Law in Lansing, Michigan; Juris Doctorate*

**Jennifer TenPas** - *Texas State University; Professional Counseling*

**Kristi Zurawski** - *Michigan State University; Forensic Entomology*

ALL IN THE FAMILY: (Top left) **Sean Walsh '05** continues the Puma legacy started by his father **James Walsh '67** and maintained by his brother **Ray Walsh '99**.

ON MY WAY: (Middle) **Meghan Mallory '05** makes her way to the Fieldhouse.

IS IT STRAIGHT? (Bottom) **Jill Mourey '05** and **Abbey Conner '05** make final adjustments before the ceremony.





SARAJEVO IS A CENTURIES-OLD CITY ON THE MILJACKA RIVER THAT SERVES AS THE CAPITAL OF BOSNIA Herzegovina. During the recent war, Sarajevo was besieged by a seeming reincarnation of the Nazis

who had wiped out its Jews and intelligentsia 50 years earlier. Europe refused to believe that such evil had arisen once again, so Sarajevo endured the longest siege of any city in the 20th century. This siege combined the bombing of London with the sniping of Stalingrad and the frozen hunger of Leningrad. It lasted from early May 1992 to the end of February 1996, more than three and a half years. Of the 500,000 who lived in Sarajevo in 1992, 200,000 fled. 300,000 stayed and fought, each in his or her own way, because they believed their city and way of life was worth dying for. One of every five of those who stayed were wounded or killed. Bullets and shells killed 1,601 children.

Again and again in Sarajevo, one finds stark testimony to the tenuous nature of peace. Sarajevo history shows us how human action can promote and defend peace and how human action can destroy it. Evil is like a weed that sprouts untended from the ground. Peace must be nurtured and protected. In the beatitudes Jesus acknowledged this when he said, "Blessed are the peace makers" (Matthew 5:8). U.S. troops and troops from other countries in NATO intervened in Bosnia to remove the power of their war makers and give their peace makers a chance. Again, Sarajevo bears witness to the successes and failures of international intervention.

I went to Sarajevo several times to learn its lessons. You get to Sarajevo through the old front lines. House after house appears diseased or dead. Vacant homes with their broken doors, blasted brick, and gaping windows look like so many skulls or scattered bones. The visible wounds on the buildings stand as grim witnesses to the invisible wounds on the people. Every blasted home and apartment once sheltered a peaceful family. The bullets and shells were aimed at human beings.

Reaching the main boulevard, you turn left to head into the center of town. This road is still called "Sniper Alley." The UN was unable to bring peace. UN administrators would not allow UN soldiers to clear out the snipers, but they were allowed to call ambulances for the victims. Seven year-old Nermin Divovic was hit in the face by a sniper's bullet, holding on to his mother's hand as they ran by a UN armored personnel carrier. The same sniper shot Nermin's mother in the stomach. She would not die immediately but would watch her son die first.

This road takes you deeper and deeper into the history of the city. First are the communist-era concrete apartments. Their height made them easy targets. They still show the damage of artillery, tank rounds, and AK47 bullets.

As you move further East, you see what was once the Evangelical Church. The communists converted it into the Academy of Fine Arts. During the siege, the Sarajevans resisted dehumanization by maintaining the arts. Though battered, the unbowed academy held art classes and exhibits. Probably the most powerful expression of such resistance is the story of Dzevad Cabanagic. His brother was one of the 10,000 civilians killed in the siege. Dzevad went to the site of his death

A personal tour with  
**Rev. William Stang, C.P.P.S. '72, Chaplain**  
**(Lt. Col.) for United States Army**

## Down the streets of SARAJEVO

SARAJEVO ROSE: At every site where a shell killed more than five people, they filled the crater with red cement to create what is called a "Sarajevo rose." Here is one on the western side of the Catholic Cathedral.





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SAINT JOSEPH'S COLLEGE • HOMECOMING WEEKEND • SEPTEMBER 23-25, 2005





# Schedule of Events

HOME COMING WEEKEND • SEPTEMBER 23-25, 2005

## Friday, September 23, 2005

1:00 pm Open Golf – Curtis Creek Country Club

**Tee time 1:30 pm; \$30 per person (includes cart)**

5:00 pm Women's Varsity Soccer vs. University of Indianapolis-Joseph L. Minielli Memorial Soccer Field

6:00 pm Honor Class Dinner Cocktail Hour – Curtis Creek Country Club

7:00 pm Honor Class Dinner – Curtis Creek Country Club

**Honor Class Pumas and spouses are invited to start the weekend by attending this private dinner with President and Mrs. Mills.**

**\$20 per person; Reservation required**

7:00 pm Men's Varsity Soccer vs. University of Indianapolis-Joseph L. Minielli Memorial Soccer Field

7:30 pm Varsity Volleyball vs. University of Missouri-St. Louis – Richard F. Scharf Alumni Fieldhouse

## Saturday, September 24, 2005

7:30 am 5K Campus Run/Walk – Line up at the Rev. Charles Banet, C.P.P.S. Core Education Center parking lot  
7:30 am-9:00 am Breakfast – Halleck Student Center Cafeteria; \$4.25 per person

9:00 am-Noon Registration – Rev. Charles Banet, C.P.P.S. Core Education Center Foyer

9:30 am Alpha Lambda Delta Induction Ceremony – Rev. Charles Banet, C.P.P.S. Core Education Center Shen Auditorium

9:30 am Alumni Baseball Game – Gil Hodges Memorial Field

10:00 am-1:00 pm Campus Tours Begin – Tour guides will gather at The Tiki Hut in the Rev. Charles Banet, C.P.P.S. Core Education Center Foyer. Tours depart every 30 minutes.

10:30 am Drexel Hall Tour

11:00 am-6:00 pm Alumni Association Beer & Brat Tent Open

11:00 am-4:30 pm Kids' Art Tent Open

**East of the Beer & Brat Tent.** The very popular Art Tent has become the "place to be" for Little Pumas and families. Art students supervise drawing, painting, and coloring activities as well as the tie-dye station where kids can create their own style of Hawaiian shirt.

Sponsored by the SJC Alumni Association and the Art Education Dept.; Free

Noon Football Game – Saint Joseph's College vs. Missouri-Rolla

2:00 pm Varsity Volleyball vs. Quincy University





5:00 pm Mass – Saint Joseph's Chapel  
6:00 pm Hawaii '05 Cocktail Reception  
Halleck Student Center Ballroom; Reservations required.  
7:00 pm Hawaii '05 Reunion Dinner Luau  
Halleck Student Center Ballroom

The Reunion Dinner is the climax of Homecoming Weekend. Enjoy a luau-style dinner followed by "The Barefoot Hawaiians" Polynesian dancers. You don't have to be celebrating an honor reunion to attend this fun, family friendly event. Hawaiian dress optional.  
\$35 per person includes cocktail hour, dinner, and entertainment.  
Reservations must be made in advance.

## *Sunday, September 25, 2005*

11:00 am-1:00 pm Farewell Brunch; Halleck Student Center Cafeteria; \$5.25 per person  
11:15 am Mass – Saint Joseph's Chapel

### **Visit the "Homecoming Tiki Hut!"**

The Tiki Hut, located in the Core Education Center Foyer, is the place to go to get maps, purchase Food and Beverage Tent tickets, and get schedule information.

### **We recognize and honor our Alumni:**

**THE ALUMNI SERVICE AWARD** recognizes the selfless giving of time, efforts, and talents to Saint Joseph's College by her graduates. The recipients of the 2005 Alumni Service Award are **Fred Faulstich '60 and Rev. Ralph Verdi, C.P.P.S. '68.**

**THE ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT AWARD** is given each year to a graduate who has distinguished themselves in various ways by active participation in service and volunteer organizations or achievement by an alumna/us that reflects an interest or influence that was developed or furthered while attending Saint Joseph's College. The recipient of the 2005 Alumni Achievement Award is **Dr. M. Desmond Ryan '58.**

These three graduates will be honored at the **Homecoming Reunion Dinner on Saturday, September 24th.**

**Get Connected at [www.saintjoe.edu](http://www.saintjoe.edu)**

A state-of-the-art on-line directory is now available **FREE** to all Saint Joseph's College alumni through the new on-line community, *Connections*. Keeping in touch with college classmates has never been easier. Members can register on-line for alumni events, search for Pumas in specific areas, and post class notes all with the click of a mouse.





# Hawaii '05 Registration Form



Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone#: \_\_\_\_\_

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ YES! I (we) will attend the **"Hawaii '05" Reunion Dinner, Saturday September 24, 2005.** Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(Includes cocktail hour, dinner, and entertainment. \$35/person)

☐ YES! I (we) want to participate in the 5K Campus Run/Walk. # of Participants \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE:** Meals and golf are by reservation only. Pre-payment required. Make checks payable to Saint Joseph's College. Availability is limited. Reservations must be made by September 16, 2005. Mail to: Saint Joseph's College, P.O. Box 870, Rensselaer, IN 47978.  
Hotel information is available on our Web site: <http://alumni.saintjoe.edu>

## HONOR CLASS EXCLUSIVE - Friday, September 23, 2005

☐ 18 Holes Golf: \$30/person ☐ 9 Holes Golf: \$21/person ☐ Dinner: \$20/person AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### Make a Nomination

**PART OF THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MISSION** is to recognize alumni who have distinguished themselves in various ways in their personal and professional lives. Each year the Alumni Association Board of Directors presents alumni awards in five categories:

- **The Alumni Service Award**
- **The Alumni Achievement Award**
- **Sports Hall of Fame**
- **The Rudy Volz Memorial MVP Award**
- **Senior of the Year Award**

All alumni, parents, and friends of Saint Joseph's College are encouraged to nominate deserving alumni for the Achievement Award, Service Award, and induction into the Sports Hall of Fame. We invite you to fill out the form to the right and mail it to the Alumni Office or log on to [www.alumni.saintjoe.edu](http://www.alumni.saintjoe.edu) and submit your nomination.

I would like to nominate: \_\_\_\_\_

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and on his cello played a eulogy to his brother. Every day he returned to that exposed position and played until he had played one day for each year of his brother's life.

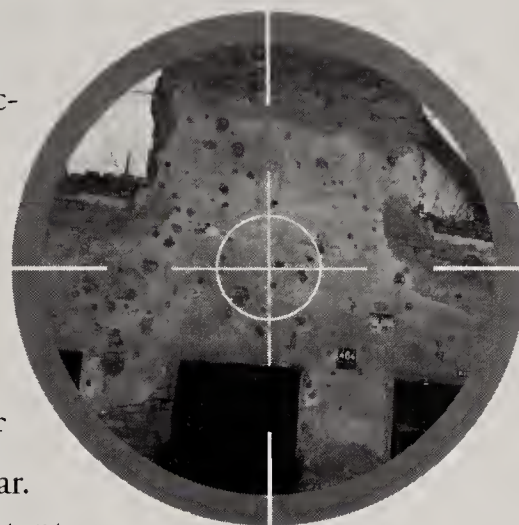
Continuing East, the road enters the Austro-Hungarian section of the city and begins to parallel the river. The bridges have names, some based on unique moments in history. There is the "Suada Dilberovic Bridge." Suada was a young medical student and the first victim of war for Sarajevo. It was a rally for peace on the last day of peace. She was with her fellow students, singing songs of peace. Like many good people, Sarajevans thought that all peoples shared their insights and sense of morality. There could be no war if their enemy had nothing to fear. They gave up their major weapons as a sign of their peaceful intent. Unfortunately, the Sarajevans were correct; their enemy had nothing to fear. A fearless Serb sniper squeezed the trigger. A plaque now watches over the spot where Suada bled to death.

There is also the "Gavrilo Princip Bridge." Here, Serb student Gavrilo Princip killed the heir to the Austro-Hungarian throne and started World War I. His aim was to free Serbia from Austrian tyranny but instead brought disaster down upon his own people, who lost all that they had gained through years of effort. A plaque marks this site as well. They asked me to smile for the picture. I could not.

A little further is the ruin of what many considered to be the most beautiful building in Sarajevo. Once the City Hall where Archduke Ferdinand gave his last speech, it became Bosnia's national library. Knowing the importance of books as a source of truth and food for the spirit, the Serb besiegers lobbed incendiary shells into it one August night. The next day, a gray "snow" fell over the city as the fiery updraft burnt itself out and the cremated remains of centuries of knowledge settled back down to Earth. Another destroyer of books was the bitter winter. With no electricity, gas, or coal, the Sarajevans burned anything that gave off heat, while others chose to preserve their books and pianos, preferring to freeze than live an uncultured life.

A hairpin turn takes us back into the heart of the city. The Turkish Market comes first, its centerpiece a distinct cobblestone square with an off-center kiosk. The market was built in the 16th century, and its cobblestones are rounded by centuries of shoppers, gawkers, and pick-pockets. It is a maze of twisting lanes lined with shops, restaurants, and bars that radiate out from the square. Hammered brass is the most common sale item; hundreds of thousands of used brass shell cases litter the hills around Sarajevo. People go out into the hills to gather shell cases to render them into tea pots, plates, vases, and coffee grinders. It's Sarajevo's version of beating swords into plowshares. As you walk through the market, the tinkling and banging of hammers mingle with the

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*House after  
house appears  
diseased or  
dead... the  
visible wounds  
on the buildings  
stand as grim  
witnesses to the  
invisible wounds  
on the people.*



TURKISH MARKET: Built in the 16th century, its centerpiece is a distinct cobblestone square with an off-center kiosk.



calls to prayer. One of the gems in the market is the Ali Pasa Mosque, the oldest mosque in Bosnia. Its walled inner courtyard is a small, secure haven for other worldly thought and prayer in the midst of the shops and their worldly concerns.

Sarajevans strengthen their bonds of community in their mosques and churches and in their markets. The people of Sarajevo love to shop, and the open air markets were the only places to find food, books, clothes etc. So neither snipers nor shells could stop the shopping. Sarajevans spoke of “shelling risk”

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like we talk about the possibility of rain. The worst massacres occurred after several light days had encouraged the people to risk going to market; when the Serbs saw they were full, they lobbed artillery and mortar shells. Mostly, the Sarajevans died in ones and twos. The world does not notice when people die in ones and twos.

There is so much death everywhere, and it seems to happen no matter what we do. Truly courageous reporters risked their lives to report the truth. News crews succeeded in showing the West the footage of what happens when a large artillery or mortar round smashes a market filled with women doing their shopping. Sarajevans made simple monuments to the victims of such massacres. At every site where a shell killed more than five people, they filled the crater with red cement to create what is called a “Sarajevo rose.” Unfortunately, there are many Sarajevo roses in this city. Here is one on the western side of the Catholic Cathedral (shown on page 12). Shell fragments riddled the stones.

Just past the Cathedral is the Merkale Market, where two Serb shells killed 68 men, women, and children at 4:00 p.m. on May 27, 1995. The world saw terrible images, frozen on film, of what looked like men dragging sacks of ruined laundry down the street, leaving trails of blood, an arm or a leg protruding from the tatters. After four years of denial, Europe woke to the truth and President Clinton got NATO to act. NATO bombers drove away the Serb artillery and lifted the siege.

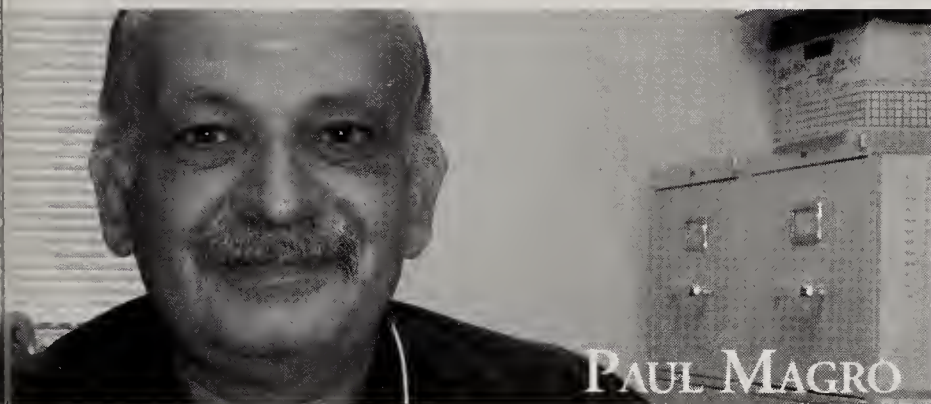
As our country debates its role in world peace, I hope that we acknowledge what the Bosnians personally thanked me for again and again. American intervention stopped the war, saved hundreds of thousands of lives, and helped to stabilize Eastern Europe at a crucial time. America rightly debates the use of its military, but if a house is on fire we do not say, “It’s the building’s fault, no need to rush. The fire will go out.” We say, “Where’s the fire hose?”

The people of Bosnia have seen, in the success of our soldiers, the route to their own success. It is not our weapons. They had modern weapons and destroyed their country with them. In us, they see a united cause that is strong, not despite its multi-ethnic nature, but because of it. They trust us, because when no one else would help them, we did. Sarajevo seems to shout, “Here Americans did a wonderful thing! We were dying and you gave us back our lives!”



**BRIAN CAPOUCH**, Professor of Computer Science, recently presented at ISPCON, the world's largest conference dedicated to the Internet Service Provider market, in Baltimore, Maryland, in May, outlining advanced Asterisk configuration. During the week of August 1, he will conduct a half-day tutorial on the Asterisk telephony platform at the O'Reilly Open Source Conference in Portland, Oregon. He has also organized an heirloom gardening project as part of his historical restoration efforts in Medaryville, Indiana.

**MAIA KINGMAN**, Assistant Professor of English, presented a paper titled "Desiring the Native: The Indian Princess and the Construction of American Identity" at the Great Lakes American Studies Association Conference at Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI) in March.



**PAUL MAGRO**, Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice and Sociology, has co-authored an article for the 25th volume of the *Sociological Spectrum*: "But Everybody Does it...": The Effects of Perceptions, Moral Pressures, and Informal Sanctions on Tax Cheating." He has also been named to the State of Indiana Emergency Management/Homeland Security Higher Education Advisory Board in Indianapolis.

**JOHN NICHOLS**, National Endowment for the Humanities Distinguished Teaching Professor, visited with two national associations to present on topics related to the state of liberal education this past winter. The first presentation took place at the annual meeting of the Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities on January 30 and 31 in Washington, D.C. The topic, "An Innovative Core Curriculum," outlined the details of the Core Program. Attendees included approximately 120 Catholic institution

presidents and vice presidents throughout the country. His second presentation was made for 500 participants of the Association of American Colleges and Universities at their February conference in Atlanta, Georgia. He outlined the results of an accreditation and assessment project he directed for the organization, which resulted in a report published by AACU, *Taking Responsibility for the Quality of the Baccalaureate Degree*, released late last year.



**ILICIA SPREY**, Assistant Professor of History, is one of only 15 academics who was asked to participate in the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) summer seminar on "The Bayeux Tapestry and the Anglo-Norman World," to be held this summer at Yale University June 24-August 5. Participants are selected from across the country and different disciplines (history, art history, literature, sociology, etc.), as well as public and private institutions of all sizes.



**BONNIE ZIMMER**, Associate Professor of Art, recently had her work displayed in an exhibition titled *New Fiber*, held at the Indianapolis Art Center from March through late April. She also has pieces at the Indiana State Museum as part of the *Whispers to Shouts: Indiana Women Who Create Art* exhibition, which runs through July 10th.



## Softball posts first winning season since 1987



WORTH THE WAIT: **Jen Willig '05** graduated as the holder of 10 career and single-season school records.

The SJC softball team has reached a level of success this season which is unprecedented in the program's history, establishing a new school record for wins and posting the first winning season since SJC began fielding a varsity softball team in 1987.

The Pumas shattered the previous record of 23 victories (set in 2002) with a win at home against Quincy on Apr. 23 and finished with an overall record of 28-24.

Pitcher **Jen Willig '05** threw the first no-hitter in the program's history on March 30th against Calumet College of St. Joseph and graduated as SJC's all-time leader in wins and strikeouts, while junior Ashley Heatwole and freshman Jesse Privett both broke the school single-season record for wins with 12 and 11, respectively. Heatwole also established a new single-season record for strikeouts (145). Freshman outfielder Ashley Emmett set a new single-season record for stolen bases (16).

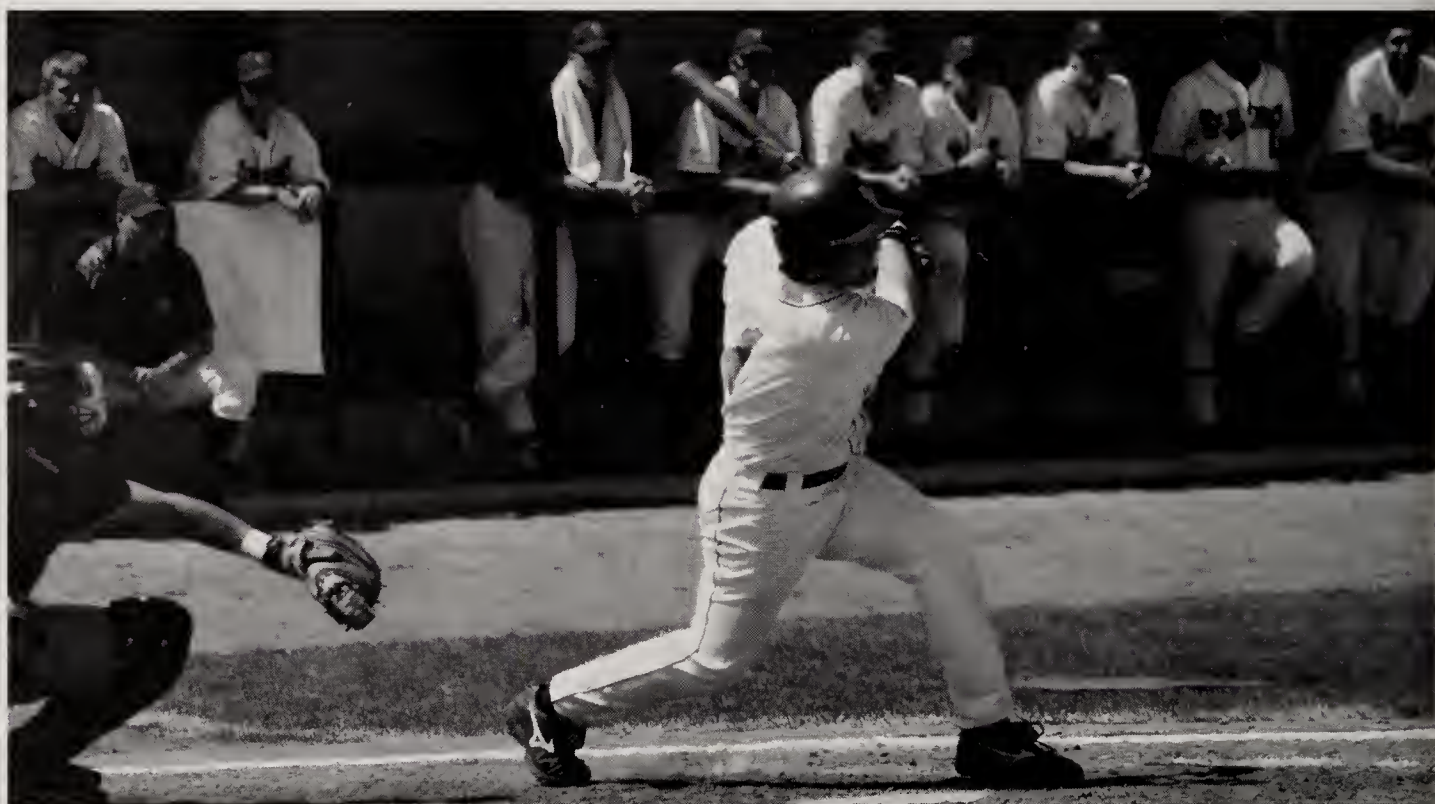
SJC coach Frank Wilkins is 107-138-1 in five years with the Pumas.

## Baseball enjoys return to national prominence

The SJC baseball team has revisited some of its glory from the late 1990's, as the Pumas broke into the national rankings and won the Great Lakes Valley Conference regular-season title for the first time since 1998.

SJC senior relief pitcher Adam Zimmerman is the Division II national leader in saves, having already broken the SJC record in that category with 13 this season. Senior outfielder Bo Gum has been among the national leaders in batting average all

season, while junior outfielder Danny Flores is near the top of the national list in walks and senior pitcher Mike Stitz is among the leaders in earned



run average. As a team, the Pumas are contending for national titles in earned run average and fielding percentage.

GO BO! Senior Bo Gum has led the GLVC in batting average and on-base percentage all season.



# SJC announces new women's basketball coach



SIEGEL

In late April, Saint Joseph's College athletic director **Bill Massoels '89** announced the hiring of Amy Siegel as the seventh head women's basketball coach in the program's history.

Siegel, a native of Louisville, Kentucky, spent five seasons as an assistant coach at Great Lakes Valley Conference rival Quincy University. She coached with the Lady Hawks from 1998-2001 before returning to Louisville to pursue a master's degree. During that time, she served as an assistant coach at Bellarmine University, another GLVC institution, for the 2001-2002 season. She returned to Quincy for the past two seasons, during which time the Lady Hawks went 53-14, won two GLVC championships, and advanced to the Elite Eight round of the Division II NCAA Tournament in 2003-2004.

Siegel inherits a team which finished the 2004-05 season with a record of 4-23, including a 3-17 GLVC record which placed the Lady Pumas 10th in the conference. SJC has not finished above the .500 mark since a 15-12 finish in the 1998-99 campaign. However, she welcomes the challenge of returning the program to the elite status it held in the late 1980's and early 1990's, when the Lady Pumas posted 12 straight winning seasons and won or shared five GLVC titles. "There's a lot of potential in our group of returning players," she said. "They have a great deal of natural ability and they're very enthusiastic and eager to get started. They've definitely got what it takes to get things turned around. It's just a matter of maintaining that enthusiasm and working hard."

Siegel plans to employ an up-tempo philosophy on both ends of the court in order to take full advantage of the strengths of her new team.

"We will stress defense first. With the numbers and athleticism we have coming back, we'll be pressuring the ball in full-court as well as half-court sets to force turnovers and score points in transition," she explained. "As far as offense is concerned, we'll be trying to run as well so we can put our players in the best positions to score. There are some real scorers on this team who can put up points in a lot of different ways. Hopefully, this style of play will help us wear teams down, and it should also be entertaining to watch."

## Esposito preps for first season as head football coach, releases game schedule



PHOTO BY FR. TIM MCFARLAND, C.P.S.

Saint Joseph's College head football coach Lou Esposito has released the game schedule for the 2005 season. SJC finished the 2004 season with a record of 7-4 and is preparing for its first season with Esposito as the team's head coach.

<b>8/27 vs. Ashland University</b>	<b>12:00 p.m.</b>
9/3 at the University of St. Francis (Illinois)	6:00 p.m.
9/10 at Northwood University (Michigan)	12 p.m.
<b>9/17 vs. Lincoln University (Missouri)</b>	<b>12:00 p.m.</b>
<b>9/24 vs. the University of Missouri-Rolla</b>	<b>12:00 p.m.</b>
<b>10/1 vs. Upper Iowa University</b>	<b>12:00 p.m.</b>
10/8 at Valparaiso University	1:30 p.m.
<b>10/15 vs. Tiffin University</b>	<b>12:00 p.m.</b>
10/22 at Butler University	1:00 p.m.
<b>10/29 vs. University of Indianapolis</b>	<b>12:00 p.m.</b>
11/5 at Austin Peay State University (Tennessee)	2:00 p.m.

**Bold** indicates home game  
All games on CST



*A conversation with President Mills*

## What's the WORD on a capital campaign?



*Thanks for giving us some time to catch up on the planning for a possible capital campaign.*

MILLS: This is a rewarding time of year. Every week I receive e-mails from faculty with happy news about how the Class of 2005 is doing. In one e-mail alone, I was informed of four students who were admitted to law school. This is truly satisfying, and every Puma who supports the College should share that sense of satisfaction. Together we are lifting up another group of young people and sending them out to begin a good life.

*In the fall 2004 edition of Contact, we talked about a capital campaign on the horizon. What has been happening?*

M: We've begun to focus our plans on possible goals of a campaign. The Trustees have set enrollment and endowment and all its implications as the yardstick to be used in determining goals and campaign projects. The question when evaluating a project is: Will this project attract qualified students and encourage them to be successful at Saint Joseph's College?

*That is a broad yardstick. Most things could be made to fit. How do you make it a practical way to measure projects?*

M: You have to begin to apply it in the context of the College. As Socrates said, "Wisdom is self knowledge." Thanks to our strategic planning process, we really do know the condition of our campus and how close our budget is for operations. We know our mission and we know the educational expectations we have for all students. We also know something about the type of student who is attracted to

SJC. With the planning process in place, the College set about drafting possible projects and then rating them.

*Is that the way projects for a campaign were selected?*

M: No. You can't stop with a draft of projects. There were some key items yet to be determined.

*What else do you need to know?*

M: Before you start a campaign, you have to determine whether the projects are credible to the alumni and College community and approximately how much gift revenue you might attract. You may have too many or too few projects or you may have missed some important projects.

*Is that what the feasibility study was for?*

M: Exactly. We interviewed and surveyed a sampling of alumni, parents, and friends to gather their opinions on potential projects and possible gift levels.

*What did you learn?*

M: We can see some trends. First, there seems to be general agreement that, to be competitive, we simply must both enhance the quality of programs and make them affordable. There is only one way to do that: endowment. We must vastly increase our endowment.

*How do you get both with endowment?*

M: Endowment will help keep costs down and enhance quality. Let's take an endowment for scholarships. We need



to give a qualified student a “funded scholarship” and not a “discount scholarship.” Think of it this way: if tuition is \$20,000 and we give a student a \$5,000 “discounted scholarship,” we only have \$15,000 left to apply to the student’s education. However, if we give the student a \$5,000 “funded scholarship” (from endowment income) we still have \$20,000 for that Puma’s education. In the end, endowments make it possible to afford to attend Saint Joseph’s College and provide the resources for a first-rate education.

### *Were there other trends?*

M: Yes. People agreed there was a need for some major renovations to some key facilities. The Arts and Science Building is a well-made building but it needs renovations to the theatre, classrooms, and laboratories, and work needs to continue throughout the library to make it more user-friendly in the age of technology. In 1941, when the Fieldhouse was dedicated, we had four varsity sports. Now we have 18, as well as the need to update throughout the building. In addition to Fieldhouse renovation, we may need more locker rooms and offices.

### *Why renovate when you could build new?*

M: We are a small college that, for now, has a small endowment. We must live within our means. New construction costs about four dollars a square foot to operate (utilities, insurance, custodial, staffing, etc.). If we add 50,000 square feet of new facilities, that’s a \$200,000 addition to our operating budget that never goes away. But if we renovate space, we get good, usable space with almost no increase in operating costs.

### *So, what’s the next step?*

M: We received the report of the survey and our Trustees are currently coming to some decisions about the campaign regarding the target amount to be raised and the general project mix. Once those choices are made, we’ll design literature that states our case and form a campaign committee. Then we start raising money, and, God willing, Saint Joseph’s College will pursue its mission with renewed vigor into this new century. To quote the late **Rev. Charles Banet, C.P.P.S. ’50**, “Our particular niche ... is to bring out the best in students, both the gifted and those who need help. In preparing students for life and life’s work, we are among the best.” There are thousands of alumni who will say “Amen to that.”

*Thank you, Dr. Mills.*

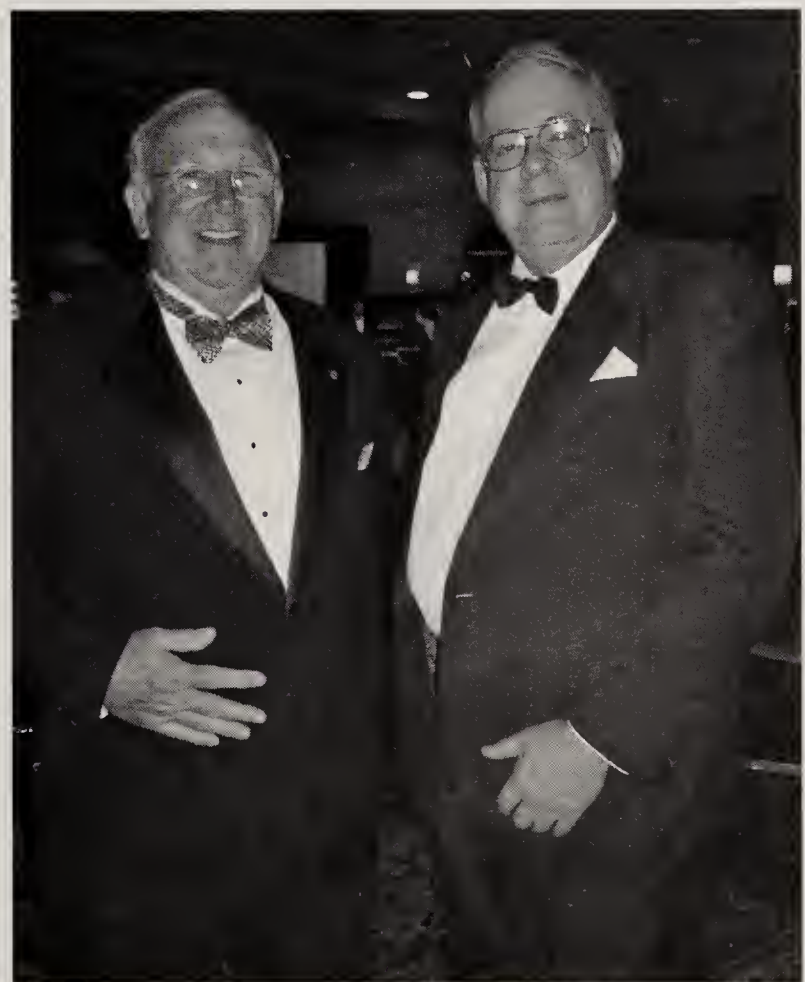
## Scholarship dinner reaches \$110,000 goal

The 36th Annual Scholarship Dinner and Auction reached new heights this year, raising \$110,000 in scholarships and auction bids. Guests put pen to paper to bid for jewelry, sports tickets, original art created by SJC students and faculty, family keepsakes, and other fun items. In addition to raising scholarship funds for future and current students, the dinner also honored the Class of 2005 Valedictorian, **Lisa Grilliot ’05**, and couples John and Connie Nichols and Mike and Helena Davis. The Davises received a special surprise, as their children publicly announced that they had created an endowed scholarship in their parents’ name.



Jennifer (Ligda) Busk and her husband James dance to the live band, Protocol.

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Board of Trustees Chairman **Jim Madden ’64** and College President Ernest Mills enjoy the evening.



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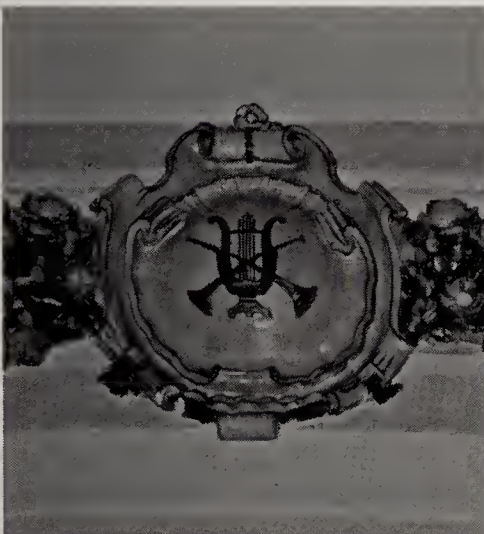
## Class gifts take center stage for 2005

In recent years, Saint Joseph's College has seen some incredible gifts from classes celebrating honor class reunions, gifts that have funded a new track and field complex, library renovation, a new entranceway and flag plaza, and endowed scholarships for the students and faculty of tomorrow. Now, the Classes of 1955, 1960, 1965, and 1975 are celebrating a reunion at this year's Hawaiian-style Homecoming, and their generosity will provide the theatre in the Arts and Science Building with a much needed "wardrobe change" and a modest endowment.



A part of the College since the Science Hall (now the Arts and Science Building) was built after the "Old Gym" was destroyed by a fire in 1914, the theatre's seating and stage property was originally financed by alumni, while the primary cost of the building was covered by the Society of the Precious Blood (\$115,000 in 1915). Ninety years later, the College looks once again to the alumni to take center stage and support the theatre's renovation efforts. New seating, flooring, lighting, and painting and restoring the original look of the proscenium are just some of the projects scheduled for the summer of 2006. Name a seat with a \$1,000 pledge, *payable over three years*. This is an exciting opportunity to "take a seat" in the newly renovated theatre.

For more information or to make a gift, contact College Fund Director Steve Brady at 219-866-6429 or [sbrady@saintjoe.edu](mailto:sbrady@saintjoe.edu).



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# CLASS NOTES

**George M. Lux '58** is still working at 68 years (as is his wife, Gloria), selling A/V systems. He also still golfs in the 70's.

**David Hoover '61** retired from Saint Joseph's College on March 7, 2005. He has been associated with SJC since 1957, when he enrolled as a freshman. He graduated in 1961 and returned to SJC in 1966 to begin his career as a Professor in the History Department. He later served as Director of Financial Aid, Vice President for Enrollment Management, and most recently Special Assistant to the President. After spending 39 loyal and dedicated years as an employee, David will retire to spend time with his wife, Donna, and their family.

**Chuck Herber '66** was one of five teachers from Tippecanoe County honored with a Golden Apple Award by the Lafayette-West Lafayette Chamber of Commerce. Selected among more than 135 nominees, the award winners were honored at the presentation dinner sponsored by the Chamber and televised live on WLFI-TV 18 last November. All five recipients received \$1,000 and a keepsake plaque for their victories, and individual interviews with the winners were aired on WLFI through February. Herber's been teaching at Jefferson High School in Lafayette for 18 years. The Lafayette-West Lafayette Chamber of Commerce's Golden Apple Award is modeled after the Golden Apple Foundation in Chicago, Illinois.

**Nicholas Polus, Jr. '66** is alive and has been happily married for 35 years to his lovely wife, Melinda. They live on the northwest side of Chicago, and he's been working in the flooring industry for the last 25 years. Currently, he is the Sales & Marketing Manager for Belmondo, Inc., in Elk Grove Village, IL. In the summers, Polus races a track bike for XXX Racing/AthletiCo, a bicycle-racing team headquartered in Chicago. When he's not on the bike and can get away, he's fly fishing. They love to camp and go as often as they can, taking their three grandchildren along whenever possible. They have two children.

**Philip F. Deaver '68** read selections from his new poetry collection, *How Men Pray*, at the Rensselaer branch of the Jasper County Public Library on April 14, 2005. Philip is currently an Associate Professor of English and writer in residence at Rollins College in Winter Park, FL.

**Michael Georgeson '69** is currently in his 20th year of employment at Caesars Palace in Las Vegas, NV, as a senior casino host.

**Bill Murphy '69** was inducted into the Illinois Wrestling Coaches Association's Hall of Fame at a banquet on April 16, 2005. He coached for 35 years in Illinois, spending the last 21 years as head coach of Homewood-Flossmoor High School. He joins former teammate **Dennis McCann '68** in the Hall of Fame.

**Patrick Kane '78** was named Senior Vice President of Marketing and Communications for Wellmont Health System, the premier healthcare provider in northwest Tennessee and southwest Virginia. An Emmy-nominated producer with nearly 25 years of experience in advertising, marketing, and communications, he assumed his new responsibilities on March 21. Kane is currently pursuing a master's degree in Corporate Communications at Duquesne University in Pittsburgh, PA.

**Jannine Gamache '80** recently played the Mother Abbess in a community theatre production of *The Sound of Music*. She also voiced some political commercials for one of the presidential candidates last fall. She is currently voicing some computer-training materials for McDonald's; in her spare time, she enjoys singing and cantoring at Annunciation Catholic Church in Longwood, FL.

**Robert Vinegar '97** recently accepted the position of Athletic Director at Shawnee MCA High School in Louisville, KY.

**James Blinzinger '98** has accepted a position with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security in Washington, DC as an Adjudications Officer. Prior to his new position, he was in private law practice in northern Virginia for three years.

**Marty Corley '98** was promoted to Detective for the Narcotics Taskforce for the Michigan City Police Department in Indiana. He is also a member of the S.W.A.T. Team and Drug Interdiction Team.

**Michael Nichols '00** traveled to Kansas City, MO, in March to accept an award for Outstanding Master's Thesis from the Midwestern Association of Graduate Schools. The thesis is titled "Malleable Mara: The Transformations of a Buddhist Symbol of Evil." Nichols finished his master's degree in

Comparative Religion at Miami University Ohio in May 2004.

**Karen R. Johnson '01** has been promoted to General Manager of the Super 8 Motel in Tomah, WI.

**Donald Shanahan '01** recently moved from teaching fourth grade to teaching fifth grade at Sauk Elementary School in Richton Park, IL, part of Matteson School District #162. He has begun courses towards a Master of Education degree with a specialization in Curriculum and Instruction at Governors State University in University Park, IL.

**Dr. Traci Wall '01** recently graduated from chiropractic school and is currently looking for a job in a northern suburb of Detroit, MI.

**Kristopher M. Krouse '02** was named Executive Director for the Shirley Heinze Land Trust, a nonprofit organization dedicated to preserving and protecting the unique ecosystems of the Indiana Dunes region. For the last few years, Krouse has pursued a career in environmental consulting, most recently in the environmental remediation industry as an Account Manager for BioManagement Services in Crown Point, IN. Krouse resides in DeMotte with his wife, **Heidi (Schwartz) Krouse '03**, who teaches middle school in the Tri-County School Corporation. They have two children, Jak and Abigail.

**Bree Ma'Ayteh '02** accepted a position as Director of Communications with AIT Laboratories in Indianapolis, owned and operated by fellow Puma **Michael Evans '67**. She begins her duties in June, after receiving her master's degree in Writing from DePaul University in Chicago. Prior to AIT, Ma'Ayteh was SJC's Publications and Media Relations Director for three years. She will continue to serve the College through her involvement with the Alumni Association's Board of Directors.

**Christopher B. Nelson '02** is teaching Language Arts at Doe Creek Middle School in New Palestine, IN. He also coaches baseball for the middle school.

## ENGAGEMENTS

**Eric Feinendegen '95** to Maggie VanBergen. A September 24, 2005 wedding is planned.

**Melissa Messman '95** to Brian Tyler. A December 18, 2005 wedding is planned.



**Jill E. McLachlan '00** to Dan Branham. A June 25, 2005 wedding is planned.

**Amy L. Overmyer '03** to **Ryan S. Jesson '03**. A September 3, 2005 wedding is planned.

**Leander (Leo) Hoover '03** to Jamie Lynne Layer. A July 30, 2005 wedding is planned.

**Danielle Salina Ramirez '03** to **Ian Andrew Flores '03**. A May 2006 wedding is planned. Bridesmaids will be **Darci Ramirez '03** and **Maria Toledo '03**. **Bob Bosserdet '04** will be a groomsman.

## MARRIAGES

**Arthur C. Voellinger '63** to Karen Fitzgerald, 11/27/04.

**Mary Alison Perry '79** to Lajos Marinkovic, 10/29/04.

**Betsy L. Fusiek '93** to Michael H. Kinsinger, 5/13/03.

**James M. Carey '94** to Kristina Fief, 11/20/04.

**Kristi Messmaker '95** to Mark Deavers, 8/10/03.

**Amy Penrod '96** to Jimmy J. Spicer, 6/21/04.

**Sarah Y. Grubb '00** to Steven Sturm, 6/12/04.

**Brynn J. Schuetter '02** to **Ryan R. Kardash '02**, 7/20/02.

**Sarah Morningstar '03** to Jonathan Nern, 6/26/04.

## BIRTHS

Alexander Udalov to Vadim and **Lynne (Chesak) Udalov '85**, 2/13/05. Alexander weighed 8 lbs. 9 oz. and was 21 1/2 inches long. He joins his big brothers, Peter (4), and Andrew (15 months).

Jessie Elizabeth Bashel to Mike and **Renee (Lesjak) Bashel '90**. Jessie joins her big brother, Max (2).

Madison Riley Hull to **Todd '90** and Michelle **Hull**, 2/26/02.

Norah Clare Randall adopted by **Mark '91** and **Colleen (Boyle) Randall '92**, 2/3/05. Norah joins her big sister, Maeve (5).

Peter Clement Steigmeyer to **Clement J. '91** and Jennifer **Steigmeyer**, 10/18/04. Peter joins his big brother, Joseph (6), and his big sister, Carolyn (1).

Maximilian Feinendegen to **Jeff '93** and Cindy **Feinendegen**, 6/20/04.

Kathryn E. Kinsinger to Michael and **Betsy L. Fusiek-Kinsinger '93**, 1/23/05.

Jack Jeffrey Meyer to **Timothy '93** and **Kara (Costa) Meyer '93**, 2/18/05. Jack was born three weeks early and weighed 5 lbs 10 oz. He joins his big sister, Madison (4).

Monica Faith Sheridan to **Bob '94** and **Lisa (Baciu) Sheridan '93**, 1/13/05. Monica joins her big brother, James (6), and her big sister, Megan (4).

Ronan Craig Holleran to **Brian '94** and **Kim (Dudeck) Holleran '92**, 5/20/04. Ronan joins his big brothers, Conner and Jack, and his big sister, Bridget.

Kathryn Elizabeth Berry to **Andrew '95** and Emily **Berry**, 4/22/04.

Andrew James Hopkins to Steven and **Elizabeth (True) Hopkins '96**, 2/16/05.

Tessa Jean Jones to Ray and **Laura A. Witek-Jones '97**, 2/25/05. Tessa joins her big sister, Abby (5), and her big brother, Ryan (3).

Carson John Parmer to Tad and **Angie (Davidson) Parmer '98**, 5/19/04. Carson joins his big brother, Cejay (2).

Jaden George Johnson to **Rory R. Johnson '00** and Yireh Gill, 10/14/04. Jaden weighed 9 lbs 6 oz and was 21 inches long.

Robert Joseph Smith to Joseph and **Dawn (Paulin) Koontz '01**, 3/8/05. Robert joins his big sister, Emily (3).

Kaylee Rae Kardash to **Ryan '02** and **Brynn (Schuetter) Kardash '02**, 7/13/04.

Elayna Grace Faulkner to **Charles Austin '03** and **Trisha (Toney) Faulkner '03**, 9/14/04.

Isabella Marie Wilson to Todd and **Billie (Gleason) Wilson '04**, 3/8/05. Isabella was born at 10:59 a.m. and weighed 7 lbs.

## DEATHS

**Rev. Msgr. Lawrence A. Mossing '32**, SJC Academy, 2001.

**Rev. Leonard J. Sudhoff, C.P.P.S '33**, SJC Academy, 2/24/05.

**Reverend Norbert Loshe, C.P.P.S. '35**, SJC Academy, 1/27/05.

**Lloyd N. Monnin '44**, father of **Joseph N. Monnin '77**, 2/22/05.

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**John P. "Jack" Reedy '49**, 1989.

Sr. Dorothy Stang, SNDdeN, sister of **James H. Stang '50** and aunt of **Rev. William Stang, C.P.P.S. '72** and **Michael C. Stang '73**, 2/12/05.

**Ralph J. Kisner '54**, 3/18/05.

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**Anthony L. Basso '61**, 11/04.

**Vincent G. Chiaro '61**, 12/04.

**Max B. Meuser '61**, 9/11/04.

Helen Sondgerath, mother of **Donna (Sondgerath) Hoover '64** and mother-in-law of **David Hoover '61**, 3/3/05.

**Ruldolf G. Petrila '65**, 12/20/04.

**Charles R. Zech '65**, 2/11/05.

**Joseph W. Gerke '67**, 9/11/04.

**Leonard VonBenken '69**, brother of **Nancy (VonBenken) Wojciak '75**, 01/05.

**Eugene J. Stiker '70**, 11/28/04.

Dorothy "Dot" (Bradshaw) Klinger, loyal Puma football fan and grandmother of current student Bradley Atkinson '08, 2/10/05.



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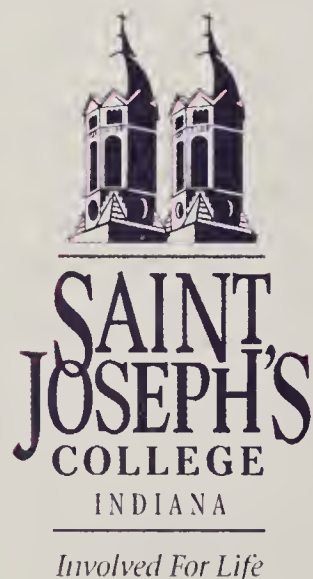
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